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The Appeal Brief filed on <u>14 March 2002</u> is defective for failure to comply with one or more provisions of 37 CFR 1.192(c). See MPEP § 1206.

To avoid dismissal of the appeal, applicant must file IN TRIPLICATE a complete new brief in compliance with 37 CFR 1.192 (c) within the longest of any of the following three TIME PERIODS: (1)ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS from the mailing date of this Notification, whichever is longer; (2) TWO MONTHS from the date of the notice of appeal; or (3) within the period for reply to the action from which this appeal was taken. EXTENTIONS OF THESE TIME PERIODS MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136.

1.	\boxtimes	The brief does not contain the items required under 37 CFR 1.192(c), or the items are not under the proper heading or in the proper order.			
2.	\boxtimes	The brief does not contain a statement of the status of all claims, pending or cancelled, or does not identify the appealed claims (37 CFR 1.192(c)(3)).			
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4.		The brief does not contain a concise explanation of the claimed invention, referring to the specification by page and line number and to the drawing, if any, by reference characters (37 CFR 1.192(c)(5)).			
5.		The brief does not contain a concise statement of the issues presented for review (37 CFR 1.192(c)(6)).			
3.		A single ground of rejection has been applied to two or more claims in this application, and			
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3.		The brief does not contain a correct copy of the appealed claims as an appendix thereto (37 CFR 1.192(c)(9)).			
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NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF 37 CFR 1.192(c)

The brief filed on 2/28/02 does not contain a concise statement of the issues presented for review as required by 37 CFR 1.192(c)(6). The Applicants failed to address the objection, and 35 USC 112 rejections in the office action filed on 7/30/2001 (p.2-3).

The brief does not contain arguments of the appellant with respect to each of the issues presented for review in 37 CFR 1.192(c)(6), and the basis therefor, with citations of the authorities, statutes, and parts of the record relied on as required by 37 CFR 1.192(c)(8).

The brief does not contain, for each rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, (second paragraph), an argument which specifies the errors in the rejection and how the claims particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Appellant is required to comply with provisions of 37 CFR 1.192(c).

To avoid dismissal of the appeal, Appellant must comply with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.192(c) within the longest of any of the following TIME PERIODS: (1) ONE MONTH or THIRTY DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing of this communication; (2) within the time period for reply to the action from which appeal has been taken; or (3) within two months from the date of the notice of appeal under 37 CFR 1.191. Extensions of these time periods may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136.



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Conclusion

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